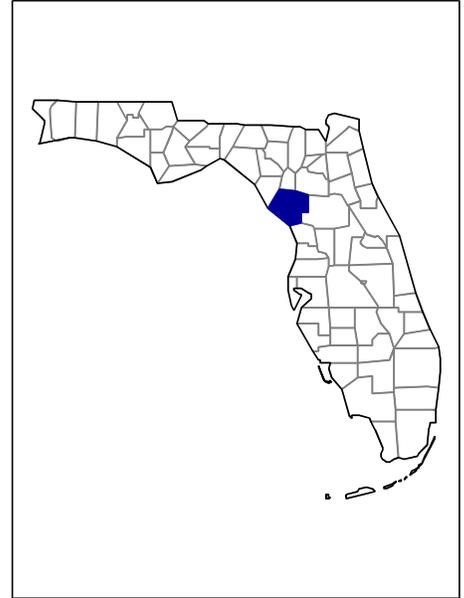


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Number of farms

897 farms in 2002, 744 farms in 1997, up 21 percent.

Land in farms

180,314 acres in 2002, 160,494 acres in 1997, up 12 percent.

Average size of farm

201 acres in 2002, 216 acres in 1997, down 7 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$83,226,000 in 2002, \$56,036,000 in 1997, up 49 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$25,949,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$57,277,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

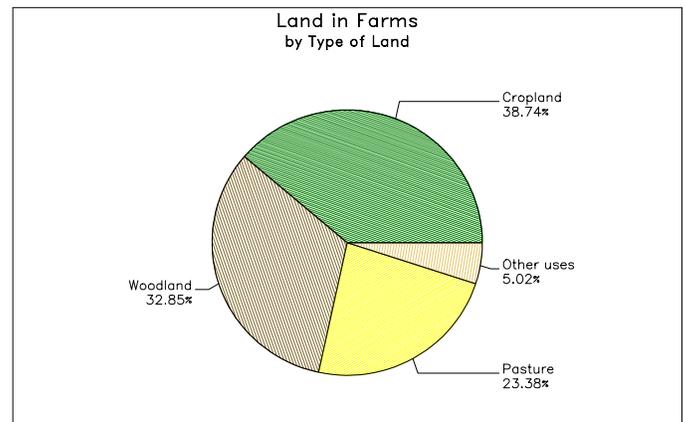
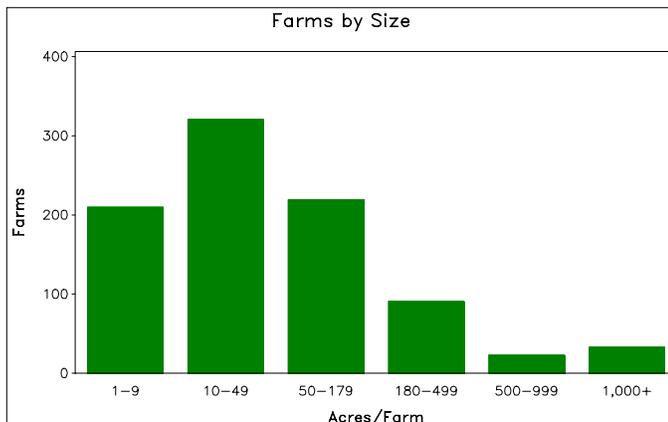
\$92,782 in 2002, \$75,317 in 1997, up 23 percent.

Government Payments

\$708,000 in 2002, \$242,000 in 1997, up 193 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$12,423 in 2002, \$3,316 in 1997, up 275 percent.



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Ranked items among the 67 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	83,226	23	67	664	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	25,949	30	66	978	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	57,277	5	67	473	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	49	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	(D)	(D)	14	(D)	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	12	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	4,387	21	62	334	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	185	45	65	942	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	10,676	23	65	244	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	36	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	10,397	5	61	135	3,046
Poultry and eggs	2	59	66	2,537	2,918
Cattle and calves	7,965	13	66	1,157	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	38,361	2	52	117	2,493
Hogs and pigs	52	18	61	1,689	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	17	21	65	2,016	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	2,814	2	64	35	3,014
Aquaculture	7,901	2	53	34	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	165	37	65	674	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	48,691	12	66	593	3,059
Horses and ponies	3,359	4	65	156	3,065
All Goats	1,104	12	64	419	2,971
Hogs and pigs	1,078	8	62	1,320	2,926
Deer	600	3	25	113	1,080
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Peanuts	15,296	2	30	20	398
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	12,416	6	65	1,554	3,059
Corn for silage	5,326	1	29	340	2,307
Nursery stock	2,835	3	64	25	2,129
All Vegetables harvested	2,251	15	62	259	2,710

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	247
\$1,000 to \$2,499	139
\$2,500 to \$4,999	134
\$5,000 to \$9,999	95
\$10,000 to \$19,999	82
\$20,000 to \$24,999	23
\$25,000 to \$39,999	39
\$40,000 to \$49,999	13
\$50,000 to \$99,999	45
\$100,000 to \$249,999	43
\$250,000 to \$499,999	17
\$500,000 or more	20
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	66,537
Average per farm (\$)	74,095
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	16,776
Average per farm (\$)	18,681

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	543
Other	354
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	724
Female	173
Average age of principal operator (years)	55.1
All operators ² by race:	
White	1,246
Black or African American	23
American Indian or Alaska Native	8
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	12
More than one race	5
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	49

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

¹ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.